St Michael's Brenton



22nd May 2022 **Evensong**Led by Wendy Roderick



We warmly

welcome

everyone joining our service All children (quiet or noisy) are welcome to church, Parents, please do not worry about them.

The leader may begin with some words of Scripture.

Leader: DEARLY beloved, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness. and that we should not dissemble nor cloak them before the face of almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same by his infinite goodness and mercy. And although we ought at all times humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy word,

and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul. Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart, and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying [after me]:

ALL: ALMIGHTY and most merciful Father, We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep, We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts, We have offended against thy holy laws, We have left undone those things which we ought to have done, And we have done those things which we ought not to have done, And there is no health in us:

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us miserable offenders; Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults, Restore thou them that are penitent, According to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord: And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake, That we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, To the glory of thy holy Name. Amen.

Leader: Grant we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful people pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen

ALL: OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power, and the glory, For ever and ever. Amen.

Leader: O Lord, open thou our lips.

All: And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

Leader: O God, make speed to save us.

All: O Lord, make haste to help us.

Leader: Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

All: As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

Leader: Praise ye the Lord.

All: The Lord's Name be praised.

The Psalms Psalm: 126

¹When the LORD restored the fortunes of Zion, we were like those who dreamed.

Then it was said among the nations,

"The LORD has done great things for them."

³ The LORD has done great things for us, and we are filled with joy.

⁴Restore our fortunes, LORD, like streams in the Negev.

²Our mouths were filled with laughter, our tongues with songs of joy.

⁵Those who sow with tears will reap with songs of joy.

⁶Those who go out weeping, carrying seed to sow, will return with songs of joy, carrying sheaves with them.

Psalm: 126

¹Unless the LORD builds the house, the builders labour in vain.

Unless the LORD watches over the city,

the guards stand watch in vain.

² In vain you rise early and stay up late, toiling for food to eat—

for he grants sleep to those he loves.

- ³ Children are a heritage from the LORD, offspring a reward from him.
- ⁴Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are children born in one's youth.
- ⁵ Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them.

They will not be put to shame when they contend with their opponents in court.

The Old Testament Reading Zephaniah 3: v14-20

¹⁴ Sing, Daughter Zion; shout aloud, Israel!

Be glad and rejoice with all your heart,

Daughter Jerusalem!

¹⁵ The LORD has taken away your punishment, he has turned back your enemy.

The LORD, the King of Israel, is with you; never again will you fear any harm.

¹⁶ On that day

they will say to Jerusalem,

"Do not fear, Zion;

do not let your hands hang limp.

¹⁷ The LORD your God is with you,

the Mighty Warrior who saves.

He will take great delight in you;

in his love he will no longer rebuke you,

but will rejoice over you with singing."

¹⁸ "I will remove from you

all who mourn over the loss of your appointed festivals, which is a burden and reproach for you.

At that time I will deal with all who oppressed you.
I will rescue the lame;

I will gather the exiles.

I will give them praise and honour in every land where they have suffered shame.
At that time I will gather you;

at that time I will bring you home.

I will give you honour and praise among all the peoples of the earth when I restore your fortunes before your very eyes,"
says the LORD.

This is the word of the Lord

All Thanks be to God.

The Magnificat, or Song of Mary

MY soul doth magnify the Lord:
and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour.
For he hath regarded:
the lowliness of his hand-maiden.
For behold, from henceforth:
all generations shall call me blessed.
For he that is mighty hath magnified me:
and holy is his Name.

And his mercy is on them that fear him: throughout all generations.

He hath shewed strength with his arm:

he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts.

He hath put down the mighty from their seat : and hath exalted the humble and meek.

He hath filled the hungry with good things : and the rich he hath sent empty away.

He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel:
as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;
As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be:
world without end. Amen.

New Testament Reading Matthew 28: v1-10, 16-20

28 After the Sabbath, at dawn on the first day of the week, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary went to look at the tomb.

²There was a violent earthquake, for an angel of the Lord came down from heaven and, going to the tomb, rolled back the stone and sat on it. ³ His appearance was like lightning, and his clothes were white as snow. ⁴The guards were so afraid of him that they shook and became like dead men.

⁵The angel said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you are looking for Jesus, who was crucified. ⁶He is not here; he has risen, just as he said. Come and see the place where he lay. ⁷Then go quickly and tell his disciples: 'He has risen from the dead and is going ahead of you into Galilee. There you will see him.' Now I have told you."

⁸So the women hurried away from the tomb, afraid yet filled with joy, and ran to tell his disciples. ⁹Suddenly Jesus met them. "Greetings," he said. They came to him, clasped his feet and worshiped him. ¹⁰Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell my brothers to go to Galilee; there they will see me."

¹⁶ Then the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain where Jesus had told them to go. ¹⁷ When they saw him, they worshiped him; but some doubted. ¹⁸ Then Jesus came to them and said, "All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. ¹⁹ Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, ²⁰ and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

This is the word of the Lord.

All Thanks be to God.

The Nunc Dimittis, or Song of Simeon

LORD, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace; according to thy word.

For mine eyes have seen: thy salvation;
Which thou hast prepared: before the face of all people;
To be a light to lighten the Gentiles:
and to be the glory of thy people Israel.
Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

The Apostle's Creed

All: I BELIEVE in God the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth: And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, Who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, Born of the Virgin Mary, Suffered under Pontius Pilate, Was crucified, dead, and buried: He descended into hell; The third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into

heaven, And sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; From thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; The holy Catholic Church; The Communion of Saints; The Forgiveness of sins; The Resurrection of the body, And the Life everlasting. Amen

Leader: The Lord be with you.

All: And with thy spirit.

Leader: Let us pray.

Leader: Lord, have mercy upon us.
All: Christ, have mercy upon us.
Leader: Lord, have mercy upon us.

All: OUR Father, which art in heaven, Hallowed be thy Name, Thy kingdom come, Thy will be done, in earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; And forgive us our trespasses, As we forgive them that trespass against us; And lead us not into temptation, But deliver us from evil. Amen.

Leader: O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us.

All: And grant us thy salvation. Leader: O Lord, save the Queen.

All: And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Leader: Endue thy Ministers with righteousness.

All: And make thy chosen people joyful.

Leader: O Lord, save thy people. All: And bless thine inheritance.

Leader: Give peace in our time, O Lord.

All: Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

Leader: O God, make clean our hearts within us.

All: And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

The Collect for the Day

The Second Collect

O GOD, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. **Amen.**

The Third Collect, for Aid against all Perils:

LIGHTEN our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

Intercessions

Conclusion

All: The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit, be with us all evermore. Amen



<u>Please pray for all who are ill or anxious at home or in hospital, and those who have</u> <u>asked for our prayers:</u> Margaret, Lin Bristow, Peter Cameron, Dave, Fran and family, Becky, Alex and family, Noah and his family Andrew, Clare and Elijah, Shirley, Elizabeth, Joyce and Paul.

<u>Please pray</u> for the souls of the recently departed, especially Tom Farmer, his family and remembering especially his daughter Sue and grandchildren Cerys and Alys

Your prayers this week are asked for:

Mon All those preparing for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations

Tues Those commuting to work, possibly traveling for milesWed The families now living in our community from Ukraine

Thurs Dartmoor National Park workers, keeping our moorland beautiful

Fri All the families worried about the raise in the cost of living

Sat Thanks for the beauty of our surroundings and our Community

Next week:

<u>9:45:</u> At Christ Church- Morning Prayer with Amanda Harris and the Reverend Mike Loader

6pm: At St Michael's- Evensong with the Reverend Dr Hazel Butland

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